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Office Action Summary

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☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for for in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quay/1935 C.E.		
A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to exlonger, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to reapplication to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions 37 CFR 1.136(a).	spond within the period for response will cause the	
Disposition of Claim		
X Claim(s) <u>1-23</u>	is/are pending in the applicat	
Of the above, claim(s)	is/are withdrawn from consideration	
☐ Claim(s)	is/are allowed.	
X Claim(s) <u>1-23</u>	is/are rejected.	
☐ Claim(s)	is/are objected to.	
☐ Claims		
Application Papers X See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing F	Review PTO-948	
☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are objection		
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☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.	io sphiotodalouphiotod.	
☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.		
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority un	der 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).	
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Attachment(s)		
□ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892		
☑ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). <u>4</u>	
☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413		
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The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 13-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ash'141 and Callingham et.al.'411. The latter reference teaches ferrous gluconate administered interperitonealy. Ash teaches internal administration of the additional ions of claim 16. Nothing unobvious can be seen in combining and administering said ingredients for their expected additive effects. The term "dialysate" does not distinguish said claims over other aqueous compositions administered in this manner.

Claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention. Claims 1-19 and 21-23 are too broad in not reciting proportions of ingredients and /or amounts administered. Claims 1-8,10,11 and 13-23 are broader than warranted by the disclosure of a single iron compound.

Claims 1,5,18 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1 and 5; and 18 and 20 are deemed tobe duplicate claims.

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Reference submitted by applicant and not applied above are cited to show the state of the art.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Schenkman at telephone number (703) 308-4644..

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